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Senate Resolution 865

By: Senators Seabaugh of the 28th, Johnson of the 1st, Williams of the 19th, Golden of the 8th and Jones of the 10th

## **ADOPTED SENATE**

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging electric utilities to consider building new nuclear power plants in Georgia; urging the
- 2 Public Service Commission to encourage such consideration; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, virtually all new power plants built in Georgia in the last 15 years are fueled by
- 4 natural gas, exposing electricity consumers to punishing price volatility; and
- 5 WHEREAS, nuclear power plants produce electricity at a stable price at high levels of safety
- 6 and reliability, while emitting no greenhouse or acid rain gases; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the 2005 Energy Bill that provides a number
- 8 of incentives encouraging electric utilities to pursue nuclear energy to reduce dependence on
- 9 energy supplies from unstable parts of the world.
- 10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 11 urge electric utilities in Georgia to study the feasibility of building new nuclear power plants
- 12 to serve the state's electricity customers.
- 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Public Service Commission is urged to take
- 14 appropriate measures (1) to encourage Georgia utilities to consider building nuclear power
- 15 plants and (2) to encourage utilities to take reasonable steps to maintain the nuclear
- 16 generation option in Georgia.
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 18 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia electric utilities and to each
- 19 member of the Georgia Public Service Commission.